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Applicant(s): GLEN ABAD, ET AL.					
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Invention: METHOD OF MONITORING A FILTER SYSTEM FOR A PAINT SPRAY BOOTH					
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

REMARKS

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for taking the time to receive the phone call from Applicants' attorney. Applicants herewith reiterate the arguments presented in that telephone conversation.

The Examiner again rejected claims 1-6 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) citing US Patent No. 5,505,763 System And Method For Controlling Air Flow Through A Powder Coating Booth by M. A. Reighard, et al. or US Patent No. 5,554,416 Automated Air Filtration And Drying System For Waterborne Paint And Industrial Coatings by F. G. Scheufler, et al. Applicants respectfully disagree.

First of all, Scheufler, et al. does not disclose the concept of determining the initial pressure drop across the filter. At col. 6, lines 64 and 65, Scheufler, et al. only talks about pressure sensing mounting. **Furthermore, in col. 7, lines 7-14, Scheufler, et al. only discusses the concept of increasing airflow pressure upon filter load increasing so that a constant airflow is maintained within the coating chamber as the filter becomes clogged.** In fact nowhere in the specification does Scheufler, et al. discuss the concept of:

“—determining the initial pressure drop across a filter prior to use of the spray booth;

determining the maximum allowable pressure drop for the filter prior to the requirement that spraying activities must be terminated by adding the initial pressure drop of the filter to the maximum allowable increase in pressure drop across the filter before the of spraying activities must be terminated —;”